

## College Decides To Halt Growth

By Richard Ratcliffe

According to Michael G. Backes, director of admissions, "The growth Providence College has seen in the past few years will not continue."

"The Residence Office has tentatively projected the availability of 490 campus spaces for incoming freshman and transfer students. This figure represents a 25 per cent decrease from the 652 resident freshman in the Class of 1979. Along with the decrease in dorm spaces, and eight per cent increase in applicants for residence status has occurred, while commuter applicants have decreased nine per cent as compared to the previous year."

"The prevailing pattern of a declining commuter population, coupled with a diminished capacity for resident student accommodations, will result in a

freshman class of approximately 800 students."

According to Colonel Andrew DelCorso, assistant director of residence, if the total of resident freshman women exceeds the total of freshman males, another women's dorm would have to be opened. At this time, both Guzman or McDermott Hall are being considered as possibilities by the Office of Residence.

DelCorso stressed that this is only a possibility, and that no definite plans will be made until after March 26, which is the deadline for the 100-dollar non-refundable room deposit.

He said all spaces not reserved by upperclassmen will go to freshmen, and that an additional female dorm will definitely not be coupled with the conversion of another Chapin building for dormitory use by men.

Father Thomas R. Peterson, president of the College, feels that due to limited dining, health, and recreation facilities, the present number of resident students is the maximum that can be handled. He stated that the College will, in the next few years, be more concerned with improving present conditions for undergraduate students rather than increasing undergraduate enrollment. But he does see future expansion in the graduate school and the school of continuing education, where he feels it is needed.

Father Peterson feels that if the number of residents grew, another dining hall would be needed, and the entire nature of the school would change. He stressed that Providence College is a small liberal arts college and will remain so. Because of this, the only possible way the undergraduate college can grow is an increase in commuter population. However, due to the current trend in applications, this is very improbable.

Father Peterson said, "At the present time, a study is being made concerning the future use of the Chapin Buildings. There is a possibility that one of the buildings will be converted to an art and music center."

"Classrooms will eventually be located on the lower campus; most likely all the classes will be moved from the library and relocated in a Chapin building. Another possibility is that the Western Civ classes will be moved to the lower campus."

He also said that more recreation facilities are needed, but at the present time, there is no possibility of increasing gymnasium or outdoor facilities, other than the athletic field complex located on the Chapin property. The outdoor fields are scheduled for completion this spring.

Father Thomas H. McBrien, dean of the College, said he feels that there is a general attitude

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Jane Lunin Perel, English instructor, and patron of the poetry reading series.

### Program Sponsor Seeks Funds

## Poetry Reading Subsidy Falls Under Tight Budget

By Celia Kettle

The Board of Governors (BOG) is no longer funding the appearance of poets at Providence College, and the co-ordinator of the series, Jane Lunin Perel, feels it is an injustice.

"The poetry series should not be overlooked," she stated. The BOG fine arts committee, has gradually reduced the amount allotted to the poetry series over the years.

This year, the fine arts committee has not contributed any funds to the series. The English department is now sponsoring all the readings. It had partially funded them previously. Perel notes, "Thanks to Dr. Thomson, vice-president for academic affairs, and Dr. John Henneidy, chairman of the English department, we have been able to

proceed without any funds from the BOG."

Perel states, "a lack of communication" is the source of the problem. She believes the BOG is unaware of the response that the poetry series has had over the years, and the popularity it has achieved. There have been over 120 people at the largest reading and no less than 40 people at every reading this year, according to Perel.

### Money Gradually Decreased

In 1972, Perel's second year in charge of the series, she was given \$1,200 from the fine arts committee. That year most of the money in the fine arts budget went to the poetry series.

"I realize it isn't fair for one program to have access to all of the money, but at the time no one else requested it," said Perel.

The next year, 1973-1974, the amount of funds was cut to ap-

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## College Democratic Caucus To Nominate Candidate

### PC Delegates Ready For Feb. 21 Meeting

By Dave Sprague

The Providence College Chapter of the College Democrats of New England began pre-registration Monday for a caucus they are holding at the Commonwealth Armory in Boston on February 21, 1976.

This will be the first time that the organization has ever attempted a caucus for presidential hopefuls. It will provide an opportunity for college students in New England to express their opinions and views of the Democratic Presidential contenders for 1976.

As of February 6, two candidates had committed themselves to speak at the caucus. They are Eleanor McCormick (NY), the right-to-life candidate, and a Mr. Kelleher (Mont.), a relatively unknown candidate. The attendance of Congressman Morris Udall and Gov. Milton Schapp (Pa.) looks promising.

The proximity of the caucus in relation to the timing of the New Hampshire and Florida primaries has made the attendance of Gov. Jimmy Carter (Ga.) questionable. He had previously agreed to attend. Carter will notify the caucus steering committee of his final decision in the near future.

Although the caucus will convene three days prior to the New Hampshire primary, and 10 days prior to the Massachusetts primary, the timing is to the advantage of the candidates. The national press coverage in the area will allow the candidates some

added news coverage as they enter the New Hampshire primary elections.

The former College Democrats of Massachusetts was defunct until its reorganization this summer. Students from various New England colleges, including L. Vincent Cipolla, '78, of Providence College, attended workshops at Northeastern and Harvard Universities. The College Democrats of New England was formed. Cipolla was elected public relations chairman of the Caucus Steering Committee.

In September these students from PC, St. Anselm's, Regis, Boston College and others, returned to their respective campuses to form chapters.

Credibility Cited  
Cipolla cited the increasing efforts of the caucus' steering committee to insure its credibility: "For a group of college students, it's a hard road gaining credibility. Our impressive list of newspapers and television and radio stations that have covered the preliminary work thus far proves that we have won that credibility."

Cipolla has run two press conferences thus far. The first was held at the State House in Boston last December 4. It was a televised conference. National coverage included Associated Press, United Press International, and NBC. A second conference was held at Dunfey's Parker House in Boston on January 16.



Cowl Photo by Mike Delaney

Student Congress vice president Vin Cipolla. The Leominster, Mass., native is the public relations director for the College Democrats of New England.

The caucus has several professional advisors. Gerald Dunfey is chairman of the board of advisors. Other advisors include Larry DiCarra, Boston City Council, and Charles Flattery, chairman of Massachusetts State Democratic committee.

The advisors to the PC Chapter are Dr. Zygmunt J. Friedemann, professor of political science, and Father John Reid, professor of religious studies.

Thus far the organization has been chartered in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Hampshire. Recognition in Vermont is pending. Maine

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### Non-Congressperson Winner

## Ray Galipault: BOG's Social Mentor

(Editor's Note: The Student Congress will present three awards at their annual banquet on March 2. Those named are Ray Galipault, Non-Congress Person of the Year;

Bess Reynolds and Bob Shea, Congress Persons of the Year; and Father John Reid, Person of the Year. This is the first of a three-part series that will profile these winners.)

By Peggy Martin

Trying to coordinate everyone's tastes and the social life on the PC campus is a challenging task — and a seemingly impossible one. Yet Ray Galipault, chairman of the Board of Governor's social committee, has tried to do just that.

On March 2, the Student Congress will honor Galipault for his efforts in trying to establish a good social calendar for the College community. As chairman of the social committee, Galipault has directed such parties and events as the Halloween costumed dance and the Christmasfest, and has helped other committees to run their events.

According to Galipault, "The proudest achievement of my two-year involvement with the BOG

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Cowl Photo by Mike Delaney

Ray Galipault, Non-Congressperson of the Year Award Winner.





Cowl Photo by Mike Delaney

"And the winning number is...": Apprehensive gamers watch as the wheels of fortune spin at the Casino Night held last Friday night in the Slavin Center. The event was sponsored by the Class of 1976, and ran co-extensive with the Parents' Weekend.

## Around the Campus Mime Coming Later

### Senior Spelling List

Members of the Class of '76 have been asked to check their names on the senior bulletin in the second floor rotunda of Harkins Hall. The names posted will appear on the diplomas awarded in May. Corrections to the spelling of names must be reported to the Dean's Office.

### Mime Delays Action

Gary Shore, a mime who was scheduled to appear in the Wooden Naval on February 19, will instead be appearing on March 4, the BOG announced today.

There will be two performances, which will take place at the Friar's Cell rather than the Naval. Ticket prices remain at \$1.25 for PC students.

### Circle K Luncheon

The PC chapter of the Circle K Club held a social hour in Aquinas Chapel and Lounge last Sunday, following Mass. The gathering was held in conjunction with National Circle K Week.

Circle K meets Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in Room 217 Slavin Center. All are welcome.

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proximately \$800. At this time other activities in fine arts began to be sponsored as well.

In 1974-1975, the amount of funds given to the series was down to approximately \$300. "I had to ask poets to come and read for a small sum as a personal favor to me. We had had National Book and Pulitzer Prize winners coming to the College.

"Robert Bly, an internationally known poet, had been involved in the series for about four years. He came and read for nothing last year. He knew about the financial situation we were in, and because he is exceedingly generous, came and read for nothing to a crowd of at least 120. No one from the BOG even offered to give him any small stipend.

"Even after his reading no one from the BOG acknowledged his contribution to the series which was being sponsored by the BOG and the English Department. No one even sent him a letter of thanks," reports Perel.

For the 1975-1976 series, Perel states she has received no funds from the fine arts committee. She feels there is a great inequity in this fact, and part of the students funds should be used to support something they like.

### "No Money Left"

Bette McHugh, chairperson for the fine arts committee, said, "The BOG funds certain programs voluntarily. The fine arts committee chooses whether or not it would like to subsidize particular services and worthwhile programs. In the past we have given funds to the poetry series. With a \$1250 budget for the

semester, the problem is there is no money left to fund them with."

"We try to provide as varied a program as possible. We would like to appeal to all interests. Since we have funded the poetry series in the past we felt we should try to help other programs."

McHugh feels that the fine arts programs provide students with some very important cultural enrichment. She further states that if her budget was increased and more support was being given for fine arts, perhaps they would be able to fund the poetry series in the future.

"I think that Jane Perel has done a very good job in the series with limited funds. I would volunteer to help her in any way I could. I also hope that the poetry series receives more funds to improve with. As it is now, the cultural budget is so small. It is almost impossible to work with," said McHugh.

### Perel Encourages More Support

Perel added, "I know money is tight, but even a few hundred dollars would help. I would like to see every program in the fine arts supplemented by the BOG. All activities such as drama, music, painting and sculpture are very important."

She feels it is very necessary to expose the student to all dimensions of fine arts. "There has to be a way for all of them to get support. I hope in the future there will be more continuity of support for the

fine arts from the BOG," she said.

### Bicentennial Poets Sought


"Earlier this year, I was asked by the fine arts committee, to contact some poets to participate in the bicentennial program. I was asked to go ahead and plan, without any idea of how much I could pay them. As far as I know the plans have fallen through. If other departments are having a part in the program, I would like to know why poetry is being excluded," noted Perel.

McHugh states she did ask Perel to contact poets. McHugh wanted to receive \$1000 from the school to have two major poets on campus. The College has decided not to act on the proposal, according to McHugh.

Perel said further, "I am very much interested and willing to cooperate with the BOG and fine arts committee.

"I am not pretending that poetry is the most popular item on the students' interest list, but it is evident to me that it is not last on their list either. I would like to see it recognized as such."

PC has undergone significant changes in the past few years, and Perel feels poetry is an important part of that change. She remarked, "I care about poetry. It gives meaning to life and heightens people's awareness of their self and the world. If the BOG reflects the new nature of the school, it should emphasize the new movements taking place."

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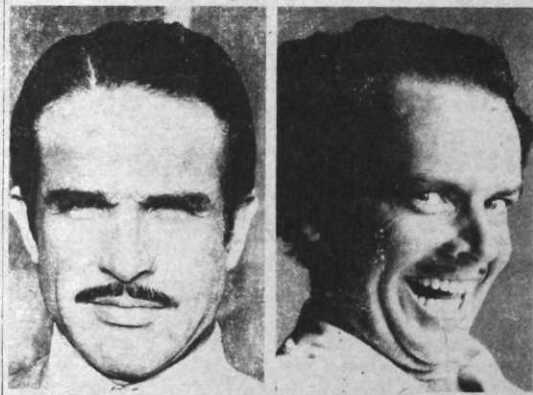
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## To the members of the Class of 1977

Interviews for students interested in serving on the '77 Commencement Committee will be given on Thursday, February 19 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 303 of the Slavin Center.

The Committee will be in charge of setting the calendar of events for Commencement Week and choosing a Commencement Day speaker.



## Two PC Seniors Legislative Interns

By Holly Green

Sue Troia and Judy McGrath were two PC seniors that participated in an internship program in Washington, D.C., under Rhode Island legislators Claiborne Pell and Edward Beard. It started on January 18, and lasted one week. The program was sponsored by the political science department of Providence College.

This program was designed to enlighten the political science

major as to what really goes on in federal government. Each student was assigned to work in a particular legislator's office. Duties of the students consisted of reading mail, attending House and Senate meetings, and to absorb all the experience they could. They were also given a VIP tour of the White House, and sat in on Supreme Court hearings.

While sitting in on Congress sessions, they heard bills disputed and oratories given. As a result, they had a keen insight as to how the country was run. Both students felt disappointed and disillusioned at the policy making. Those with Senator Pell drafted and wrote proposals and bills, and directed him how to vote. They felt annoyed that the official who was elected by the people was not the one doing all the work.

This was all voluntary work, and the students had to pay their own expenses. An apartment was supplied by the program. The room had insects in the kitchen and broken furniture. The nights were to themselves, which took them to the highlights of the Georgetown area.

Judy and Sue felt that a week was not long enough to meet the people they would have liked to meet, but they felt they did benefit greatly from the experience.

Seniors Fred Marzilli and Paul Caranci, also of PC, participated in the program through Congressman Beard's office.



Bill Cupelo, sophomore class president.

## Sophs Plan Activities

The Class of 1978 is planning three large parties for the remainder of the semester.

The three parties are titled "50 Days left," "End of Civ Party" and "Battle of the Dorms". The latter will be in a field-type atmosphere. According to Bill Cupelo, sophomore class president, this event will be held around April 10. He said that his class also hopes to sponsor "some kind of concert" later in the year. Plans are incomplete.

Dieges and Clust Company has been chosen to make the class rings. There are committees deciding presently on the site of the ring dance, the ring design, after parties, bids, favors and the band.

A class meeting will also be held tonight, February 11 at 7:30 p.m. in '64 Hall, Slavin Center. The newly elected officers plan to introduce the class' plans and form committees to plan upcoming events.

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campuses are still in the organization process to join the New England based group.

### Pre-registration

Pre-registration for the caucus began February 9 in Slavin Center. The cost is two dollars per student. Those who cannot register then should contact Cipolla or Mark Greenberg, '78, PC chapter president. With 120 students in the PC chapter, Cipolla expects a good turnout from this chapter. He also hopes other interested students will attend.

On February 21, students will begin registering for the caucus at 8 a.m. at the Commonwealth Armory, Commonwealth Ave., Boston. Those who have pre-registered at their respective campuses will not be charged the three-dollar fee at the door. All students need not be registered voters, but each must show his college ID for admittance.

### Convention Schedule

The caucus will be convened by state representative Michael J. Connolly (D-Boston), chairperson. Connolly believes the students "will have the most successful caucus in Massachusetts as it is the one group that doesn't find itself born out of its own self-interest."

Each candidate will be allowed 15 minutes to speak. Those candidates who are unable to attend will send a representative to speak for them. Each representative will be allowed five minutes. Thus far, the caucus has received one refusal from former Peace Corps director Sargeant Shriver.

The plan is for a maximum of five ballots to be cast with the fifth ballot, if needed, pitting the top two candidates of the fourth ballot.

To be endorsed, a candidate must take a majority of the vote. He then will receive a percentage of the registration fee.

### Caucus "Worthwhile"

Cipolla describes the upcoming caucus as "one of the two most worthwhile things I've ever been involved with. In December there were 20 schools and about 1,000 students interested on campus. At present, there are over 1,500 students from 39 colleges involved."

Cipolla summed up the importance of the caucus; "Any candidate who claims or expects strong youth vote and participation in this campaign will most likely decide to appear at the caucus. Anyone who refuses runs the risk of not gaining any substantial support from the largest collegiate political organization in New England."

## Italian Night Is Set

The Dillon Club will be holding an Italian Night on Friday, February 27, in Alumni Cafeteria. Admission will be one dollar. Further information will be given in the next edition of *The Cowl*.

This week the Club's main activity is fund raising for the Meeting Street School. Lollipops and scented candles will be on sale in the lower level of the Slavin Center. A special feature will be the frosting of cakes for Meeting Street School.

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## '76 is Passing

## Will PC Celebrate The Bicentennial?

Last April, the Board of Governors (BOG) considered ways in which Providence College could celebrate the nation's Bicentennial. At that time, Bette McHugh, chairperson of the fine arts committee, began to contact groups and exhibits to assemble a program. She discussed the program with Father Peterson who indicated to her that he was in favor of it.

The entire program, which included plays, films and music as well as history, art and photography exhibits, would have cost about \$11,000. However, Bette found out that the program was eligible for matching funds distributed by the American Revolution Bicentennial Committee.

The BOG budgeted about \$3,500 for the program and proposed that the College contribute approximately \$2,000 for the celebration. This \$5,500 would then be matched with federal funds. Considering the quality of the program, spending \$2,000 for \$11,000 worth of events seemed to be a good idea.

The final proposal was submitted to Father Peterson in June, but as of this date, no action has been taken, and no money has been set aside. Instead, the College has formed a campus Bicentennial Committee, headed by Mr. Robert Deasy. This committee has scheduled few if any events, certainly none comparable to what was proposed by the BOG.

Despite all the planning and research involved, this fine program, which has been a good educational experience for the entire college community, seems to be destined to die in the hands of the administration.

But all may not be lost yet. According to Bette McHugh, the College may be able to serve the program by providing the necessary financial backing soon. The deadline for receiving matching funds is approaching. We urge that the College accept this program, contributing the funding which is required.

Also this board acknowledges Bette McHugh and the BOG for their hard work and efforts in assembling this proposal and program, and enlightening the administration to its value.

This College administration has yet to substantially participate in Bicentennial celebration (with the exception of 1776, a Theatre Arts production). It would be a disappointing and unfortunate act for the College to refuse funding this program.

## Retreat Changes Motley Group Into Community

By Jim Travers

Retreat is a funny word. It could mean to run away from something, or to pull back, or, as the dictionary so simply puts it: to withdraw from something dangerous, difficult, or disagreeable. To retreat is one thing, yet to go on a retreat is quite another. A few weeks ago, the Pastoral Council and the Chaplain's Office sponsored a weekend retreat, yet for the 23 or so of us there, it was anything but an escape.

A couple of years ago, some students, concerned about the fact that no retreats had been run since this hallowed institution had gone coed, tried to organize a retreat. For years, retreats had been as much a part of campus life as baseball at Hendrickson or a brew at Brads, but, like freshman beanies and Grotto graduations, had slowly disappeared. Because of a lack of support, no retreat had been fully organized until two Fridays ago, when seven cars pulled out from behind Aquinas for a 40 minute ride to a Baptist (the place was just rented) Camp in Exeter.

The last time I had been away like this was in the eighth grade when, like all good parochial gentlemen, with sneakers and sweatsocks (Oh, to get out of those uniforms) in hand, we ventured out to South County for a day of hot dogs, basketball and, inevitably, a Mass. The point is that then we all had to be there; this time, I think I wanted to go.

I'd have to be honest and say I was skeptical before the weekend started. Going away to talk seriously with a bunch of people I hardly knew wasn't the

easiest feeling to accept. To say I was uneasy, wouldn't be too far from the truth. Things would change.

I'm not going to bore you with a day by day, hour by hour account of the weekend, because most were simply simple discussions of how we felt about ourselves, each other, and our God. Believe it or not, it wasn't a weekend of constant masses and perpetual meditation. Of course, we had Mass., and it was beautiful, but we also had discussions, walks, reflection, singing, hockey, arguments, praying, and, a little drinking. In other words, all the normal things one would expect to do with friends.

On Friday, we were a motley group, comprised mostly of people I had never known before. By Sunday, though, we were a community of friends who had shared something very special, ourselves. Again using the dictionary, you might say we had withdrawn from something disagreeable and dangerous, only to return to a community not so disagreeable and not nearly as dangerous. Even when it is, though, one has to be willing to take risks.

So, then, for Sister Kathy's poems, Jimmy's recipe, Tommy's seal, Ellen's songs, Norman's dance, Deidre's tears, Brother Edmund's laugh, "Terry's" cough, Father Adrian's art (?), Moon's Kazoo, Peggy's smile, Holtie's bell and everyone else, this hopefully not token commuter thanks you from the bottom of his swollen heart. You know, it's easy to run away, to retreat, from something; but you've accomplished something when you come back to help.

## Ensemble to Play Classical Works

By Mike Garland

The PC community will have a chance to view one of the leading exponents of contemporary classical music in this area as the New Music Ensemble of Providence will perform in '64 Hall, Thursday night at 8 p.m.

One of the three ensembles which make up the New England Contemporary Music Circuit, the group was founded in 1969 by Professor Gerald Shapiro of Brown University and Margot Shevill to provide live, high quality contemporary classical concerts to audiences throughout Rhode Island. Since joining the Contemporary Music Circuit, the Ensemble has toured throughout New England.

Besides providing enjoyment, the concerts of the New Music Ensemble and the Contemporary Circuit are designed to a wider exposure to contemporary music and to develop

new programming techniques for presenting music of the twentieth century.

Indeed, while performing works by contemporary composers such as Stravinsky, Bartok, Davidovsky and Copland, the New Music Ensemble has performed works by more avant-garde composers as George Crumb, a Pulitzer Prize winner.

The Ensemble has been founded under the auspices of the Rhode Island State Council of the Arts' Touring Grant Program since 1970. Besides appearing at colleges and outdoor events, the Ensemble was the opening chamber music event in the Trinity Square Repertory Company festival opening of the Lederer Theatre Complex and has participated in Arts and Education workshops in schools and libraries.

George Goneconto became the musical director of the New Music Ensemble in 1973. Known for his experience in the field of music

## Zito's Commencement Proposals:

## Bring an Umbrella, Cheer

By Joseph E. Zito  
Dateline Dominican Weather Service—

The administration has said that it is going to rain on Tuesday morning, May 25 at 10 a.m. So if they say it's going to rain, it's gonna rain. Case closed. For forty days and forty nights. Who knows? Anyway what this means is that Commencement will have to be moved to the Providence Civic Center.

I don't necessarily agree with this de facto decree from the Holy Grail. But to make the best of a bad situation, I have devised some fool proof suggestions, which if followed, will no doubt assure ultimate perfection at the Civic Center on the rainy morning.

Realistically, what better place is there for a PC graduation than the Civic Center? Have we not won 58 ball games there since the place opened? Was it not in the Civic Center that we all discovered the true meaning of Providence College...the success of our basketball program. So anyone who does not want to graduate in the "house that Ernie D. built" must be bonkers. What the heck, if PC played basketball in the Grotto, I'm sure we would have graduated there this year.

With these factors in mind, let us accept these realities, and on the

day of the big game...I mean graduation, be cool and follow my suggestions:

1. Graduation tickets should be sold on a first come first serve basis. Half-price with a discount card. Each parent is entitled to one ticket and must present his own discount card at the Civic Center Box Office. Tickets should be sold starting at 8 a.m. Any left over tickets should go on public sale at 9:15 a.m.



2. Parents and high-ranking alumni should be seated at center court to assure them a bird's eye view of the action.

3. Summa and Magna students should be seated in the first few rows on the floor. Other students should be arranged in decreasing order according to cumulative point average. Those with a 2.3 or below should sit in Section 237 and be booed periodically.

4. Beer, cotton candy and peanuts should be sold. Programs will be 75 cents, same as Mike Traghese's.

5. People should refrain from extended trips to the rest rooms. Of course, at past graduations the

Grotto afforded an excellent alternative to this because of the fertile soil and large trees which served as excellent hiding places in case of bodily emergency.

6. Waitresses should circulate throughout the throng of people so that parents can order cocktails from the Royal Roost. Another Civic Center exclusive.

7. Graduation exercises should be split into six, 24-minute periods with each student being allotted two time outs to discuss graduation strategy.

8. The scoreboards should flash: Hey! Hey! Ho! Ho! Ho! Grab that diploma and Go! Go! Go!

9. Prospective grads should be arranged single file starting at the free throw line and wait for the announcement:

"Graduating at Center, a political science major, from the Bronx, Arthur Foghorn!"

10. A technical foul should be assessed to any student with a wrinkled gown or crooked cap.

If this occurs the guilty student must hurry to the foul line at the other end of the court and try to pop his diploma into the hoop. If the student succeeds, he can take possession of his diploma out of bounds.

11. No standing ovations...especially after my name is called. An occasional Bravo! Bravo! will do fine.

12. Lastly it would be only fitting to have a post graduation show with Chris Clark and Father Peterson discussing the highlights. What an experience!

## Homosexuality is a Sin, But Kennedy Must be Loved

To the Editor:

Mr. Kennedy has declared that he decided to "come out of the closet" and disclose his homosexuality because he was sure of finding a "positive" reception. My question is did he find a "positive" reception? If he did, what of setting up an abortion clinic in Slavin Center? What of selling contraceptives in the dormitories?

Homosexuality is an abomination before the Lord (Lev 18:22). It is as much against the laws of God and nature as is

## Grizzi to Read

The Providence College Poetry Series will present Michael Gizzi in its fifth reading of the academic year.

The reading will be held Thursday, February 19, at 8 p.m. in Aquinas Lounge. Wine and cheese refreshments will be served, compliments of the English department.

Gizzi, a native of the Providence area, is the father of more than one small press locally. His book, *My Grandfather's Pants* (1973) was published by Bench Press, one of his early establishments.

abortion. The recent message of Pope Paul adds nothing new in this regard. The Pope reiterates what has always been taught in Jewish and Christian tradition.

Let us not water down the ill we are here facing, with a mere show of numbers. We could also quote the millions presently in prison, which would not make their crimes less grievous.

Let us rather consider the numbers of parents who have entrusted their children, by dint of many sacrifices, to Providence College that they would receive not only a good education but also a firm Christian foundation. It gives me pause to question the value of the Christian Ethics which are being taught.

Jesus has told us to hate sin but love the sinner. Mr. Kennedy, I love you. In my love for you I lift you up to Him who has borne our infirmities. May He who created you in His image and likeness restore the image and likeness to wholeness. May you turn to Jesus and in the light of His love be healed.

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## PC Theatre Arts Comes of Age on '1776'

By Dea Antonelli

The third major Theatre Arts presentation of the academic year will take place in Independence Hall, Pennsylvania — that is, an approximate version of the historic landmark in Harkins Hall — with the arrival of the Friar's Cell production of 1776.

The widely-acclaimed musical has had an impressive history since its Broadway opening on March 16, 1968. 1776 won both the New York Drama Critics Circle Award and the Tony Award for Best Musical of the '68-'69 season and was subsequently made into a movie with the same title. New York Times drama critic Clive Barnes called 1776 "a musical with style, humanity, wit and passion" and recommended it to the public without reservation.

In this Bicentennial year, it is expected that theater groups across the country will offer presentations of 1776. However, according to director John Garrity (who is Father Robert Pelkington's temporary replacement and a 1973 PC alumnus), the Friar's Cell production of the musical will be one of special significance.

"Not only will 1776 concern the birth of a nation," said Garrity, "but, it will also signify the 'coming of an age' of PC's theatre arts department after many successful seasons of preparation."

1776 will be the largest play in terms of cast size, musical scoring, and construction crew numbers ever staged by the Friar's Cell. "It will be our first attempt to reach a city-wide audience through radio and newspaper advertisement," said Garrity. "1776 will be our attempt to 'get into the running' with the theater organizations of U.R.I., R.I.C., and Brown."

A total audience of 2,400 people is expected to see 1776, which Garrity describes as "not being a George M. Cohan review, but an excellent Bicentennial effort." All costumes will be rented so that historical accuracy will be guaranteed. The musical offers outstanding opportunities for scenic design; Garrity mentioned that the building of "Independence Hall" will be done entirely by students.

Garrity also spoke of the "excellent cooperation he has received from all phases of the college administration. "The Bicentennial seems to have benefited the theater department, when one sees the marked increase of enthusiasm and interest which has taken place in it," he remarked. The importance of the 1776 presentation is evident not only because the BOG subsidized the play for \$800, but because it has been deemed an official Bicentennial event with the endorsement of the State's Bicentennial Commission.

The production credits of 1776 include alumni, students, faculty, and even a security guard (David Wilson as delegate from Rhode Island, Stephen Hopkins).

Heading the cast will be a PC alumnus, William Dennis, who recently gave a well-received performance of Mark Twain: American Humorist last November; Dennis will play John Adams. Father John Cunningham, O.P., will portray Ben Franklin and Father James Prest, O.P., will play Caesar Rodney.

Students in the cast include Peter Thomson as the conservative John Dickinson from Pennsylvania, Nicholas Walker as the aristocratic Edward Rutledge from South Carolina, John O'Hurley as Thomas Jefferson, Arthur DeCaprio as John Hancock, and Joseph Coughlin as Richard Henry Lee, delegate from Virginia. Angela Dias and Patricia White will portray Abigail Adams and Martha Jefferson, respectively.

Other students in 1776 include Robert Perry, Joseph Capetta, Thomas Joaquin, Jerome McGovern, Jeff Doran, Dan Foster, Tom Duncavage, Domenic Diglio, Arthur Costigan, James Ascoli, Al Belieu, Mark Lyons, Joe Menino and Tim Donovan.

Musical direction will be offered by Lucien Oliveri, with John Swaboda directing the orchestra,

assisted by Father James Prest, O.P. Ann Carr will serve as choreographer. The duties of stage manager and assistant stage manager will be undertaken by Ross Malley and Lisa Callahan, respectively.

Sherman Edwards, who majored in history at New York University, wrote 1776. His comment on the creators of the Declaration of Independence is that "they disagreed and fought with each other, but they understood commitment and fought affirmatively. They were struggling toward a goal, though each had his own ideas on what that should be."

Playwright Peter Stone, who adapted 1776 to the stage, said "I was astonished by what I didn't know about American history, especially that period. As Sherman told me what went on, I found myself appalled by my ignorance."

The Friar's Cell production of 1776 promises to be a learning experience for all, a celebration certain to inspire the spirit of '76, and a special event in PC history.

1776 will run from February 17-22, at 8 p.m. in Harkins Hall Auditorium. Admission will be \$1.50 for PC students, \$2.50 for other students and children, and \$3.50 for all others. Tickets are still on sale at the Slavin Center Information Desk.

## College to Host Religious Conf.

A day-long conference on Jewish-Catholic relations will be held this Monday in Slavin Center.

The conference, which will begin at 9 a.m., is sponsored by Providence College, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, and the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

The keynote address will be presented by the Rev. John B. Sheerin, C.S.P., general consultant to the American Bishops Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish Relations, and Rabbi Leon Klenicki, director of the Department of Intercultural Affairs of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. The Most Rev. Kenneth A. Angell, D.D., auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Providence, will be the luncheon speaker.

The program will also include four workshops covering the following topics: dialogue, education, social action, and liturgy.

"This conference is part of a continuing effort to explore the religious dimension of the interrelationship between the Catholic and Jewish communities," remarked Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P., College president and co-chairman of the

conference with Sol Kolack, New England Regional Director, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

## Pietrasanta Combines Study and Travel

By Dea Antonelli

A group of about 25 students and teachers will be celebrating the nation's Bicentennial not in the United States, but in Pietrasanta, Italy, while taking part in the Providence-in-Europe summer program.

The program was founded in 1970. Its main goal "is to combine a travel experience with a learning experience," said Dr. Rodney Delasanta, the director of the program. Within a two-month period, extending from June 19 to August 14, approximately 35 days will be devoted to study in Pietrasanta.

Students may earn a maximum of six credits from courses in studio work, the humanities, or both. Visits of four and five days are scheduled for London, Paris, Rome and Munich, with trips to historic landmarks comprising an integral part of the tours.

"It would be gauche to catalog the postcard places of Europe that our uninitiated students understandably insist on visiting — like the Sistine Chapel, Westminster Abbey, or the Eiffel Tower," said Delasanta. "The unforgettable memories come from elsewhere: the empty spot behind the high altar at the Canterbury Cathedral where one of the most famous shrines in Christendom — to St. Thomas Becket — was situated before Henry VIII raped it of its riches" or "the antics of Falstaff and Justice Shallow in the Royal Shakespearean production of 2 Henry IV at Stratford-on-Avon just a few paces down the river from the Holy Trinity Church where Shakespeare is buried."

The city of Pietrasanta is situated within a cluster of cities

which radiate the cultural achievements of medieval and Renaissance Italy — Pisa, Florence, Lucca, Siena — that offer unforgettable settings for study in the arts and humanities. It is situated on the Mediterranean coast south of the Italian Riviera and boasts one of the finest beaches in the world. Indeed, during the month spent in Pietrasanta, the PC group reserves 25 kilometers of beach for private use.

Academic instruction on the 1976 tour will be provided by professors who have accompanied the program before. Alice Hauck will teach art history, Father McAlister will teach sculpture, Dr. Richard Grace will teach history and music and Delasanta will teach literature and Italian. Rinaldo Bigi from Pietrasanta, a painter and sculptor, will teach those subjects.

Art students take most of their courses while in Pietrasanta in local studios which are rented. Courses for non-studio students are usually held outdoors, behind the "pensione" which Delasanta describes as being more than a hotel. It is run by the Bigi family, which does its best to provide a home-like atmosphere for the group.

The cost of the program, \$1,700, includes tuition up to six credits, a round-trip, transatlantic flight and all air, bus and rail travel connected with the program. Lodging and meals are included in the 35 days of study at Pietrasanta, and lodging and breakfasts are included in the 25 days of study-on-location.

Anyone interested in further information on the program should contact Dr. Delasanta. The deadline for applying is March 15.

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## Intramural Basketball:

## Squads Vie for Playoffs

By Joe McCooley

The Athletic Board added some new flavor to the intramural basketball league this year by naming the divisions after PC's number one consumer product. There are two conferences with the better teams and competition in the A conference. The latest count has the 30 teams of the A conference divided into four divisions and the B conference's 40 teams divided into six divisions.

In the A conference, teams are trying to make the top three spots

in their divisions in order to make the playoffs, with first place teams receiving byes in the first round. It hasn't yet been determined what the B division playoff setup will be.

With only three games remaining for most of the teams, some of the squads already have playoff berths locked up. Undeclared Hard Core Poetry is the class of the Conference A's Heineken division and the Hustlers and the Stoogers of that same division should also make the playoffs. The competition in the Michelob division is tough and when the division's two undefeated teams, Schvernier Doogers and Tankers I, top off the winner will also be the division winner.

In the Coors division of Conference A, the Brilevinichikes are undefeated and should finish first and the Diablos del Sol should finish second. The Lowenbrau division also possesses two undefeated teams, the Wildratbats and That's All, and their game will determine their divisions first and second place teams.

The eventual winner of the playoffs will represent PC in the Schaefer Tournament later this year but no information about it is available yet.

## Francis

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clan, even though Randy is too young to be drafted in this year's talent derby, and Ron is already taken by Toronto.

"I know their father. He can really be proud of them. They've got a wonderful family. I've heard a lot about Ron; he skates well and he's smart at the point." Ron more than justified that appraisal. He scored four times and assisted on two more goals.

The league favorite again this year is Schvernier Doogers, and if they are to capture the intramural hoop championship for the third consecutive year, they will have to beat some very tough teams. The competition and talent this year is better than in recent years. The Wildratbats and Hard Core Poetry are highly talented teams and seem to have the best shot at dethroning the Doogers.

## 3 PC Gridders All-American

By Mary Beth White

Stan Gural, head of the National Club Football Association, recently announced the Association's annual All-American honors. Three PC players were recognized.

PC players selected as All-American first team players were Marc Faerber, Lou Sanzaro, and tri-captain John Tytla. Faerber, a junior from Newport, R.I., was selected at the offensive guard position. Sanzaro, also a junior, of Wethersfield, Conn., was named as linebacker. Rounding off the PC representation, John Tytla, of Stoneham, Mass., was chosen as offensive tackle.

Being given an honor of this sort recognizes the chosen players as being some of the best club football players in the United States. The selections were made from a substantial number of schools throughout the country which have club football teams.

Selection as an All-American player is, in itself, a great honor. However, the fact that PC, as a team, placed three players on the national squad adds to the total achievement. It is also rare for two juniors to be selected as well as two offensive linemen on the team.

## Lady Friars Tumble Assumption, Bryant

By Cindy Kranich

Last week the Lady Friars added two victories, against Holy Cross and Bryant, to increase their record to an impressive 10-1. Their only loss occurred at the hands of UConn early in December. Since then, the women have won eight straight.

The PC squad traveled to Worcester, Mass. to meet the Crusaders. In what was the most physical game of the season, PC gained an early lead and ran away with a 62-26 victory. It was a costly victory, however, as the Lady Friars lost the services of Paulette Hassett for several weeks. She fractured her wrist after being knocked down in the process of shooting.

Mary Ellen Buchanan led the scoring with 19 points, followed by Diane Leitao, Barbara Holapa, and Mary Casey, who divided 35 points among them.

Two days later the Friars played host to Bryant College. After a somewhat sluggish first quarter, PC came alive. The Squaws of Bryant were held to 11 points in the first half. PC was ahead by 16 at this time. The Lady Friars outscored the Squaws by 19 in the second half en route to a 63-17 trouncing. Casey and Buchanan pulled down 14 rebounds apiece. While Casey was high scorer for the evening with 15 points, every other Lady Friar got on the board.

Assumption College will meet the Lady Friars in a contest on Wednesday, February 11, at 6:30 p.m. in Alumni Hall. The Lady Friars have only five games remaining on their 16-game slate, of which the last three are on the road. The Cowl will inform the PC community of any post-season tournament invitations the Lady Friars may receive.

## Galipault Cops Congress Award

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was staying in it." He cited Irish Night as the lowest point of his career and believes that surviving the resulting criticism was a valuable and difficult experience.

Galipault was "surprised and very pleased" to be named the Non-Congress Person of the Year. It was a "boost in self-confidence" for him. He was also happy that it was someone from the BOG who was so honored: the organization is a dedicated one and its members have "put so much time and effort into their work."

Galipault also noted how grateful he was to all his committee members who were "extremely helpful" in coordinating the campus' social functions. In addition, he expressed thanks to Clair

Green, Loretta Ross, Father Stuart McPhail, as well as the entire Student Congress.

Concerning the BOG, Galipault would like to see "a more dynamic and positive look that appeals to the campus." The BOG is "improving its self-image," but he would like to see it progress further.

This progress can come with a "good social calendar that is diverse and avoids stagnation." Galipault notes, however, that this is difficult and that the social committee is limited by people's tastes and by available facilities.

Galipault's own future is like most seniors—a bit uncertain. A general studies major from Waterbury, Conn., Galipault may attend graduate school next year. A transfer from Quinnipiac College, his course concentrations are in social work and religious studies.

He has worked hard at a very difficult job. Galipault's efforts are now being recognized.

## Expansion Stopped

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among students, faculty, and administrators against increasing the size of Providence College. He felt that the decision by the administration to decrease freshman enrollment will please a majority of the members in the College community.

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# Pucksters to Face Eastern Powers

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February 16 at Vermont

You look at UVM's 6-10 record and it's almost humorous. Then ask the Terriers of BU about their latest game with the Catamounts. Vermont romped, 5-1, and they were missing their best skater. Then think back to that 5-2 lead at Gutterson Fieldhouse last year. It's not so funny anymore. The playoffs might be an impossible dream, but UVM could still be the hottest team in the league in two weeks.

February 25, Brown

The Bruins were humiliated at Meehan, but it could be a different story here, despite the fabled home court advantage. Brown is ranked high in the East, and lately they've been playing like they deserve it.

February 27 at Boston College

The Eagles would be tough whether they were in sixth place or 16th. On paper, PC is the best, but our heroes could still be reeling from the Brown contest. This

should shape up as an interesting matchup between Rookie of the Year candidates in the ECAC — Randy Wilson and the Eagle's netminder, Paul Skidmore.

March 5, Boston University

Fill in your own superlatives. The only sure things are that Schneider will be full and that it will be a close game.

"I'm happy with the way we've been playing," noted Lamoriello. "We've just got to get a little more consistent."

Consistency was definitely the problem against Northeastern. Providence ran up a 3-1 bulge and then watched it evaporate before a cheering throng of 500 semi-plowed freebies and about 1600 shocked prospective students and season-ticket holders. Northeastern won, 4-3. Later on in the week, against Colgate, the place looked like a tomb and PC romped 12-1. Ron Wilson put on a show, scoring four goals and two assists. Bring on the next keg party.

## Gavitt: Story Overblown

Yesterday, a story appeared in the sports section of *The Providence Journal* entitled, "PC hockey coach denies hitting ref."

The article described, in detail, an incident after the Clarkson-PC game (which the Friars lost, 6-3), between coach Lou Lamoriello and a referee. Lamoriello allegedly sought out the official, Jack Lakins, after the game and punched him.

"That story was overblown by *The Journal*," PC athletic director Dave Gavitt stated. "The story is dead and over with."

Gavitt continued, "There's an officiating problem because of location. There are only ten guys on the refereeing list. I will strongly recommend we have more New England area referees."

Gavitt read detailed reports from Lamoriello, his assistant coach, Bob Bellemore, and one from Clarkson. Not one of the communiques mentioned Lamoriello slugging an official. The ECAC has called for a report from Lakins, but he has yet to submit one.

At the conclusion of the game, Lamoriello questioned the referee concerning a play which could have resulted in a PC player being injured. Apparently, Lakins shot back a sarcastic remark and a heated discussion ensued. They were later separated by coach Bellemore and a policeman. The referee demanded that Lamoriello be arrested on the spot. Lamoriello then returned to the locker room. No police action followed.

Obviously that account differed from the one which appeared in the February issue of *The Rochester Democrat-Chronicle* by sportswriter Tony Destino who covered the contest.

Destino reported, "Lamoriello, upset after his team lost to Clarkson, planted a right hook on one of the referees immediately after the game ended. His anger and frustration illustrated how much each game means to each team in the league."

Gavitt does not plan any disciplinary action.



All eyes are on the puck as PC's John McMorrow slides by the crease last Saturday. The Friars defeated Colgate 12-1.

Cowl Photo by Mike Delaney

## Volleyball Club Defeats URI

By Richard Bianco

The Providence College Volleyball Club squared off against the URI Rams last Wednesday night in Kingston, RI. The Friars, with a 20-game road schedule due to no home facilities, played two excellent defensive and well disciplined games.

The starting unit (six players) began their well balanced attack from the opening serve of game number one. (The match is decided by the best two out of three games). Providence lost an early lead when URI tied the game at four a piece with a hard spike deflecting off a Friar at the net.

After regaining the serve, PC scored five straight points and caused the Rams to call their first timeout. Providence continued their offensive splurge with a couple of timely spikes forcing URI to make costly mistakes at net.

The Rams brought in the first substitute of the game and mounted a strong comeback. The score was 11-10 in favor of Providence when the Friars regained the serve and reeled off four straight points to take the first game.

Before the jubilant Friars could finish congratulating each other for their heroics, Game Number Two was about to begin. Joe England, the player-coach of the volleyball team, started the same six players, fearing a lineup change would alter their tempo.

Early in the going, PC trailed by a 5-2 score and seemed to have let down a bit from the first game. Suddenly, with some fine diving saves and timely blocked shots, the Friars mounted an awesome comeback and trounced the Rams with a 15-5 victory.

With the match in hand, the PC team played an exhibition game using some talented freshman and sophomore substitutes to gain experience and depth. Having constantly tasted defeat all year, the squad was very happy to gain their first victory of the second half of their schedule.

In their first season as a club team, the PC Volleyball team seems to be progressing very

quickly. The young and inexperienced players are representing Providence College well and, under the leadership of Joe England, seem to be headed towards contention in New England in the future.

The team right now is playing against the odds with a road schedule of 20 games and are faring adequately for a first year team. Maybe next year, with some great Friar fan support, our PC Volleyball team might be able to play at home in Alumni Hall

### ECAC hockey (Through Feb. 8)

	W	L	T	GF	GA
Boston U. (12-2-0)	15	1	0	95	31
New Hamp. (12-4-0)	16	4	0	125	67
Cornell (12-6-0)	11	5	0	82	59
Clarkson (12-8-1)	11	5	1	88	73
Brown (12-5-0)	10	5	1	91	62
Providence (12-9-2)	10	6	2	110	78
Boston Col. (11-9-1)	9	6	1	89	71
Harvard (12-5-2)	7	4	2	54	52
Dartmouth (9-8-0)	7	8	0	63	76
St. Lawrence (10-10-0)	6	7	0	65	67
R.P.I. (10-9-2)	6	8	2	76	80
Vermont (10-13-1)	6	10	0	70	81
Northeastern (6-12-1)	5	12	1	75	91
Colgate (6-15-0)	3	12	0	77	116
Princeton (12-12-1)	3	11	1	55	98
Penn. (4-13-0)	3	11	0	48	85
Yale (4-13-0)	1	12	0	41	97

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Ron Wilson, Words Unlimited 1975 Athlete of the Year, in action against Colgate last Saturday.

## Hockey Friars Sport East's Toughest Month

By John O'Hare

The next month will be the true test of Friar hockey. Forget all those ECAC rankings and national polls. Statistics won't mean a thing in the next seven games.

The simple fact is that Providence has the toughest remaining schedule in college hockey. In a way, it's good because it provides PC with almost a playoff preview — like a second Special Schneider Fan:

### Scout Francis Sees Much Pro Potential

By John O'Hare

Schneider Arena is the place to be these days. Curt Gowdy dropped by to see the Olympic team, and Sports Illustrated sent a cameraman down to do a feature on the Wilsons. (Expect it in about three weeks.) And, for the PC-Colgate hockey game, Emile "Cat" Francis was around to check out Friar talent.

"I'm down to watch two boys, John McMorrow and Steve Roberts, that our scouts have drafted," Francis remarked. "I've never seen them before."

Both players did well in PC's 12-1 victory. Roberts finished with one goal and two assists, his best offense output of the season. "The Cat" is always on the prowl for new draft choices and expressed interest in a few Friar performers.

"I'm impressed with Brad Wilson," Francis commented. "He's draftable this year. And so's Dave Dornseif. Randy Wilson can be a good one."

It's ancient history now that Francis, long a coach and recently a general manager of the New York Rangers, was ousted by the team's front office. The general manager's job was taken by former Canadian great, John Ferguson. Not surprisingly, Ferguson's first move was to fire then-Ranger coach, Ron Stewart.

During Francis' reign the Broadway Blue-Shirts were perennial bridesmaids in the NHL. "The Cat's" inability to hire a competent head coach, plus the fact that most of his players were over-paid and complacent, did him in.

Was there any behind-the-scenes maneuvering in Francis' removal from power?

"I don't care to comment on that," he smiled. "I'll be with the Rangers at least two years. I've got that much left on my contract. From then on I don't know. I'll have more time to devote to scouting now."

So, Francis was booted upstairs and is now the organization's vice-president. It's a nice position, but he doesn't have half of the in-

season before the tourney. However, by the same token, a scoring slump or a key injury would be disastrous. Every game must be approached as a "must win" situation. There are no weak sisters like Penn or Princeton the rest of the way. This is the cream of the crop.

As of this Monday, the Friars will be facing seven squads with a combined record of 61-33. Every

team has some kind of chance for a tournament berth. Providence must deal with the first, second, fifth, sixth and 15th ranked teams in the East. PC hosts four squads and travels three times.

"We can only play one game at a time," insists coach Lou Lamoriello. "We can't look at the schedule."

But we can. For a brief run-down:—

February 13 and February 19 (away), UNH

Three weeks ago PC was just behind New Hampshire in the standings. While the Friars have slipped, UNH still remains the model of consistency. Providence is at home, but will need their best game of the year to win. The second time in Durham is anybody's guess. Just think how'd they do with U.S. Olympic player Bobby Miller. BU doesn't like to.

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### Pre-Game Keg Party: Success or Failure?

By John O'Hare

"It's an excellent idea"—Steve Bassett (satisfied patron).

"It was pretty bad. I had to throw at least ten kids out at the door."—Don Bello (ticket manager).

"The good student support really helps."—Lou Lamoriello (hockey coach).

Well, two out of three isn't bad. Especially when the subject is the keg party that took place before the Friars' hockey game with Northeastern.

The party was sponsored by the Friends of Friar Hockey and started around 5:30 p.m. in the Wooden Naval. Actually, the event was planned to "pack the house" for that night's game, thereby impressing 300 "prospective students" and their parents with PC's athletic enthusiasm.

Towards that end, 500 free tickets, hats, and eight kegs of beer were distributed to the student population by Booster's President Nick Lamoriello (that's right, the coach's brother). Hoopla was definitely the order of the day. The school band was at Schneider, practicing for the Holy Cross b-ball game Saturday, and at least one pee-wee team was in attendance.

So, at game time, PC fans left the Naval wearing little white hats with a skating Friar on the front, and settled into sections M,N,O,S and T. This was easily the biggest student turnout of the year, but total attendance was only around 2,100.

It seems that all those prospective students left after the buffet and took their tickets with them. So much for strategy. Anyway, for at least one period it didn't matter at all. The Friars jumped off to a 3-1 lead and panomoniun reigned. It's amazing what a few beers will do for student morale.

Except for some off-color cheers, the crowd was remarkably well behaved. It could have been much different. Remember what happened to the Texas Rangers at nickel beer night in Cleveland?

One stout-hearted PC fan did a rather poor impression of dancing Harry in the aisles during the intermission and sat down with the cheerleaders for the beginning of the third period.

Therefore, the pre-game party must be rated a success. The Friends of Friar Hockey accomplished their objectives: more vocal support for the team and increased attendance. The maintenance crew might have had a little extra work (especially the brush and broom detail), but it was all in the spirit of good fun.

Besides, a whopping 20 per cent of the students quizzed after the game could remember the final score. Anything that can get a group of college students to parade around for two hours in those ridiculous beach hats can't be all bad.

As a slightly befuddled fan remarked, "This was a good start, but they should have had free popcorn, and then worked it up till they gave away free sticks and skates." And to think he only had two beers. That customer has definite Friends of Friar Hockey potential.

## Dribblers Walk Over Holy Cross

By Jim Travers

Up in Roxbury they call him a playground legend. Teammates were known to just lean back and watch his show in practice. George Blaney of Holy Cross says, "He has some moves Dr. J. hasn't tried yet." He was drafted by the NBA last year and was the leading scorer on a talent-laden freshman team.

Yet it took him almost five years and two schools to put his show on for the public. Steve Strother may have finally come to life against Holy Cross and it couldn't have come at a better time.

Faced with a certain demotion in the New England Polls if they lost, the Friars last Saturday restored a little sanity and returned to the favor of many fair weather fans as they demolished a slumping Holy Cross five 103-85. PC was led by Joe Hassett's 30 points and Steve Strother's 25, which, according to Coach Gavitt, "wasn't bad for a team with backcourt problems."

The game started out like a Saturday night card at Witschi's Wrestling Arena as four fouls were called before any points were scored. The Friars jumped off early six and eight point leads, but the Crusaders battled back to within three points right before the half. "This was the key," Coach

Blaney related earlier, "because we had cut the lead down and had some momentum going. Then those two steals by Strother and Hassett pushed us back." The Friars went off leading by nine at half-time.

The Crusaders came as close as 60-55, but, at least for the highly partisan crows of 11,000 plus, the game was really over. Before you could say "Go Stro" three times, the lead was up to 93-75, as Hassett's bombs and Stro's moves left the Crusaders armorless. Meanwhile, six players had fouled out, three more finished with four fouls, and both benches had been emptied. The final score was 103-85, and PC was back in the limelight.

"That Strother," Crusader mentor Blaney remarked, "was the key throughout. You know, he always had the talent, but also that tendency for turnovers. The problem was that we kept fouling him, and he killed us from the line." Thirteen of Stro's 25 points were from the charity stripe.

This was the third straight win for the rejuvenated Friars, who earlier in the week had comfortably beaten Brown and Niagara. Their record now stands at 13-6, with a big game scheduled

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### Named '75 Athlete of the Year Works Unlimited Honors Ron Wilson

Ron Wilson, Providence College's brilliant hockey player who earned first team All-American honors as a sophomore a year ago, has been selected as Words Unlimited's 1975 Rhode Island Athlete of the Year. Wilson will be feted at the annual Words Unlimited Awards Banquet on February 23 at the Club 400 in West Warwick.

A former All-State hockey player at East Providence High School, Wilson had the greatest single season ever by a Providence College hockey player. He led PC to a 19-7-1 season and to a berth in the ECAC hockey championships.

Despite being a defenseman, Wilson scored an eye popping 87 points including 26 goals to not only

lead his team in scoring but the East as well. He established college and Eastern seasonal scoring records for a defenseman by registering 87 points, 26 goals and 61 assists. His 87 points was the second highest figure ever recorded by an Eastern player.

Wilson is currently proving that last year's superb performance was no fluke. He has already scored over 50 points this season, has established a new PC career scoring record and is closing in on virtually every major Eastern collegiate scoring record.

A Dean's List student majoring in economics, Wilson was previously selected as Providence College's 1975 Male Athlete of the Year.



Cowl Photo by Mike Delaney

"Stro" shows the determination that got him 25 points against Holy Cross last week. The "on an important 103-85 decision, thanks largely to "ions.